## **State of South Dakota**

## EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2010

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## HOUSE ENGROSSED NO. HB 1202 - 2/9/2010

Introduced by: Representative Noem and Senator Peterson

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for the assessment of certain agricultural land
- 2 as noncropland.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That chapter 10-6 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
- 5 follows:
- Notwithstanding the provisions § 10-6-33.32, any agricultural land which has been seeded
- 7 to grass for at least ten years and is used for animal grazing or left unharvested, or is native
- 8 grassland, shall be categorized as noncropland for the purposes of determining the agricultural
- 9 income value of the land pursuant to §§ 10-6-33.28 to 10-6-33.33, inclusive. If the land meets
- this criteria and has not been categorized as noncropland, the owner may request the director
- of equalization before August first to specifically categorize the land as noncropland. If the
- director of equalization determines that such land meets the criteria provided by this section, the
- director of equalization shall assess the land as noncropland. An aggrieved person may appeal
- the decision of the director pursuant to chapter 1-26D. The director shall act upon the owner's
- request within thirty days of the date of the request.